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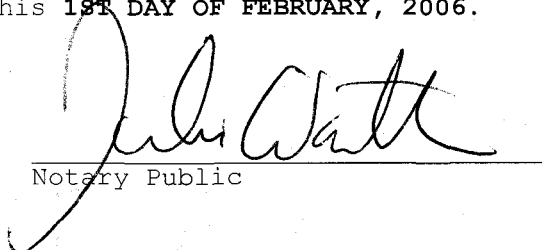
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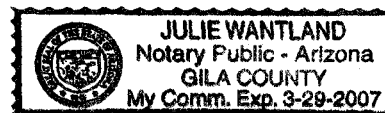
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On October 19, 2005, Harry D. Jones, on behalf of the Whispering Pines Fire District ("WPFD"), filed a request for a variance from the existing moratorium on new service connections for Payson Water Company's Geronimo System ("Payson Water" or "Company"). On December 21, 2005, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") concluded that the Geronimo System currently has 77 active meters, and 6 additional meters are inactive, have no usage or have been pulled. Staff believes the system could support up to 92 total connections and Staff suggested several options for the Commission to consider for allowing additional service connections depending on assumptions regarding the inactive meters. Staff also recommended that the WPFD should be given the highest priority for connection to the system, and that additional connections should be granted on a first-come first-served basis. Several area property owners have requested intervention and have been granted intervention in this proceeding.

The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter beginning February 8, 2006 at 10:00 a.m., at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona. Public comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing.

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a written motion to intervene with the Commission, which motion should be sent to Payson Water or its counsel and to all parties of record, and which, at the minimum, shall contain the following:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made if different than the intervenor.

2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding (e.g. a customer of Payson Water, a stockholder of Payson Water, etc.)

3. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to Payson Water or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105; except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before February 1, 2006. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any customer from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on such customer's own behalf.

If you have any questions or concerns about this application or have any objections to, its approval, or wish to make a statement in support of it, you may write the Consumer Services Section of the Commission at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 or call 1-800-222-7000 or appear at the hearing and make comment.

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